HOUSE BILL 1942

By Beck

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 32, relative to holographic wills.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 32-4-105, is amended by designating the current language as subsection (a) and adding the following language as subsection (b):

(b) Upon the contest of a holographic will, if the holographic will was written within six (6) months prior to a testator's death and the testator died by suicide, then there is a presumption of suspicious circumstances and the proponent of the will has the burden of presenting evidence demonstrating that the testator had the capacity to execute the will.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it.